



October Board Meeting News

Board Opts Not to Require CEUs for Renewal

Last year the NSBAIDRD was approached by AIA Las Vegas to consider mandating continuing education units (CEUs) as a requirement for license renewal, as allowed by NRS 623.255. In response, the board conducted research and held two town hall meetings to garner feedback from registrants and other interested parties.

At the board's October 2005 meeting, the board decided that it would undertake further study for a year. One piece of research gathered during the year included a survey of other US jurisdictions with continuing education requirements for architects and/or interior designers (residential designers

are only regulated in Nevada). Two survey questions covered the "pros" and "cons" of such a requirement. Additional research included the "Architect Proficiency Survey," conducted by Professional Management and Evaluation Services, Inc., on behalf of the California Architects Board.

The board again took up the topic at its October 5, 2006 meeting, after the year of study was completed. Prior to the meeting, the board sent a notice to over 3200 registrants and other interested parties, asking for their opinions on the proposed CEU requirement. The board received 100 written responses; 44 were in favor of a requirement, 50 were against

it, and remainder were neutral. Approximately 20 individuals, mostly registrants, attended the October meeting to provide comments in person. Three of those in attendance were in favor of the requirement, the rest were opposed.

After considering the research and comments presented, board members agreed that continuing education was an integral part of a design professional's practice. However, the board determined that mandating CEUs as requirement for renewal was unwarranted at this time.

In reaching their decision, board members expressed their

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NCIDQ Annual Meeting Held

Nevada Board Members Participate

The National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) held its annual meeting in Louisville, Ky. from November 10-12. Five board members and staff participated in the meeting. Delegates were brought up-to-date on NCIDQ committee activities, elected new officers, voted on

resolutions, listened to reports from other jurisdictions, and discussed possible changes to NCIDQ's educational evaluation of applicants and a possible certification program. Attendees also participated in breakout sessions about CIDA-comparable process for education evaluation, minimum

educational requirements and NCIDQ's new technology system.

Jan Bast (Calif.) was installed as 2007 NCIDQ President. Sandy Friend (Ore.), installed as President-Elect, was previously elected to that office

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EduCode Scheduled for February in Las Vegas

The 10th Annual EduCode International will be presented February 26-March 2, 2007 in Las Vegas, at the Orleans Hotel & Casino. During the five-day conference a wide range of topics will be offered that are designed to meet the specific needs of conference participants. Courses will be available each day in 20 different tracks. Some of the tracks offered are: 2006 code updates, code enforcement, plan review and inspection, electrical, fire protection engineering, leadership essentials, plumbing and mechanical, and structural design.

Many popular courses will be offered in each track, and participants can select to

attend all the sessions in a single track, or choose from several tracks to create a custom-tailored experience. Highly experienced industry professionals, recognized in their fields of expertise, present the EduCode classes. Topics are addressed as they apply to the most recently published codes. Instructors generally provide illustrated handout materials and learning aides. All EduCode sessions will have ICC CEU credits.

Advance registration ends February 11. More information about EduCode can be found at www.educode.us  or by calling 1-888-ICC-SAFE, ext. 33817.

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support for continuing professional development and unanimously agreed that it is an ongoing process for architects, registered interior designers and residential designers. Board members stated that part of a design professional's daily practice is staying current on code issues and the latest design trends and technologies. However, no evidence was presented that quantitatively or qualitatively showed that requiring continuing education for license renewal made registrants better design professionals. Further, no evidence was presented showing that there are current problems with Nevada registrants; in fact, most disciplinary cases brought before the board are for unlicensed practice. Without any measurable proof showing that state-mandated continuing education would benefit the public, the board decided not to require continuing education as a condition of license renewal.

Board members agreed that if evidence is presented or circumstances warrant it in the future, the board would again consider requiring continuing education for all registrants.

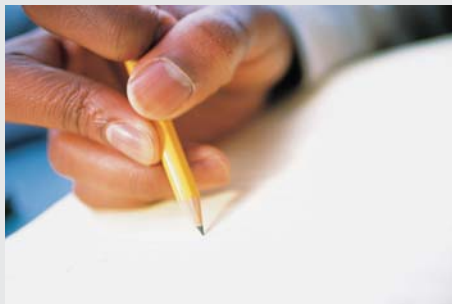
After issuing its decision, the board said it would pursue the idea of partnering with other groups to host seminars on current topics of interest to Nevada's design professionals, including changes to the building codes, sustainable design, legal matters and professional service agreements. Board members felt that a class on building code changes would be immediately welcomed since most, if not all, Nevada jurisdictions will be adopting the 2006 International Codes in 2007. The board decided this idea would be investigated and further discussed during a 2007 planning session.

Do You Know...

Which of the following are grounds for disciplinary action against a registrant?

- a) A court of justice convicts the registrant of a crime involving moral turpitude.
- b) The board or a court of justice convicts the registrant of deceit or concealment of material fact in professional practice.
- c) The registrant affixes his signature and seal to professional documents that have been prepared by a non-registrant under the registrant's responsible control.
- d) The registrant affixes his signature and seal to professional documents prepared by another registrant after thorough review and analysis to ensure compliance with applicable standards, codes and ordinances.

Hint: NRS 623.270.1



Answer: a, b and d

NCARB News

New Monograph Published, ARE Updated, Exam Scheduling Issues

Daylighting Monograph Released

NCARB recently published its latest monograph, *Daylighting Performance and Design*. It explores the characteristics of daylighting, an integral component of sustainable design and green buildings. The careful integration of daylighting can also positively affect productivity and performance among occupants.



appendices cover daylighting feasibility, glazing material properties, daylighting design Web resources, weather data and other topics.

Those who successfully complete the monograph and quiz will earn 12 PDUs in health, safety and welfare. The publication costs \$160 for current NCARB record holders and \$250 for others, and can be ordered on the NCARB Web site (www.ncarb.org).

Gregg D. Ander, FAIA, the monograph's author, is the chief architect for Southern California Edison and teaches advanced environmental controls at the College of Architecture at California Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Daylighting is comprised of six chapters, and begins with an in-depth look at five design fundamentals of daylighting: issues, variables, strategies, elements and options. Subsequent chapters discuss occupant productivity and performance, glazing properties and integration with electric lighting. Case studies include retail, office, industrial and institutional buildings.

The monograph contains more than 175 figures, including a wide range of illustrations, graphs and charts. It also provides "explanations at a glance" for quick reference. Eight technical

"The relationship among people, daylight, and architectural form is intimate. Daylight has the potential to introduce life, variation, and drama into otherwise banal spaces."
— Gregg D. Ander, author of 'Daylighting Performance and Design'

New question format for ARE

In 2006, NCARB conducted a study to determine if two new question formats, or item types, should be included in the multiple-choice sections of the ARE. The item types studied were "fill-in-the-blank" and "check-all-that-apply" questions.

The study was successful, and as a result, the Mechanical & Electrical Systems division will include these alternate item types beginning in February 2007. The remaining multiple-choice sections will include alternate item types in the near future.

Examples of the two new item types can be viewed at www.ncarb.org/are/AIT.html.

ARE Scheduling Problems

The Nevada board was informed that Thompson Prometric, the ARE testing provider, recently underwent an upgrade to its computer systems for candidate eligibility and test appointment scheduling purposes. Over the last several weeks it became clear that some errors have occurred during the upgrade. The most visible problem is that some ARE candidates who attempt to schedule their exams online or through the 800 number are sometimes receiving error messages regarding their eligibility status.

If you, or someone in your firm, have this problem, please contact the Nevada board office at (702) 486-7300. The board office staff will help to make sure you are able to schedule your exam.

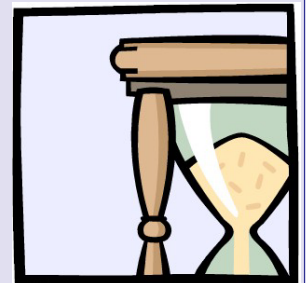
NCARB has assured the board that Thompson Prometric is working to correct the errors as quickly as possible.

NOTICE

As a courtesy to registrants, renewal notices were mailed in early October. All registrations must be renewed annually. It is each registrant's responsibility to ensure that his or her registration is current. If you did not receive a renewal notice in the mail, contact the board office and confirm that your current address is on file.

Renewal forms can also be downloaded from the board Web site at <http://nsbaidrd.state.nv.us/Documents/renewal.pdf>. This interactive form may be completed on your computer if you have Adobe Reader 6.0 or higher.

DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN YOUR RENEWAL BY DECEMBER 31, 2006. Renewals received after this date will be charged a late fee of \$220, in addition to the \$150 annual renewal fee.



'Focus' Newsletter Wins Award

The NSBAIDRD newsletter, "Focus," won the Award of Merit for Electronic Newsletters at the Public Relations Society of America – Las Vegas Valley Chapter's 2006 Pinnacle Awards.

The Pinnacle Awards competition is open to public relations professionals, agencies, non-profit and public and private sector organizations in southern Nevada, southern Utah and northern Arizona.



Enforcement Actions

(August 10 - October 5, 2006)

Inquiries are routinely sent to both registrants and non-registrants for alleged violations of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Codes (NAC). There were two cases this period that were submitted for board consideration and approved. Additionally, six cases were closed this period because there was no basis for the allegations or the complaint did not fall within the board's jurisdiction.



The following cases were closed by means of settlement agreement. As part of the agreement, respondents agreed to assure compliance with Chapter 623. Should the respondent be involved in a subsequent case and found to have again violated a NRS or NAC, the case may be used as an aggravating factor.

Every effort is made to ensure that the following information is correct. Before making any decision based on this information, you should contact the NSBAIDRD.

Holding Oneself Out: NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)

Case No. 07-003N

The allegations against **Peter Aguilar** and **Peter's Custom Home Design** were that

they held themselves out as being qualified to provide architectural services, without a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved by a settlement agreement incorporating an admission of guilt, an administrative penalty of \$2,500 and investigative costs in the amount of \$1,000.

Holding Oneself Out and Unlicensed Practice: NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)(c)

Case No. 06-004N

The allegations against **Steven J. Fisco** and **Stone Design and Consulting** were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practice of architecture and residential design and by engaging in the practices of architecture and residential design, without obtaining a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved by a settlement agreement incorporating an assurance of discontinuance and an admission of guilt.

Residential Design Exam Pass Rates

Examination	2005			2006		
	Number of Candidates	Number Pass	Percent Pass	Number of Candidates	Number Pass	Percent Pass
Structural	20	13	65%	28	15	53%
Materials & Methods	31	15	48%	22	9	41%
Environmental Controls	36	8	22%	28	9	32%
Graphic Design	21	10	48%	22	17	77%

New Registrants by Examination

(August 10 - October 5, 2006)

The NSBAIDRD wishes to extend congratulations to the following individuals who recently passed their profession's licensing exam and now hold certificates of registration in Nevada:

Architects

5741 Elias J. Abboud (Henderson)
5742 Scott L. Brown (Las Vegas)
5753 Monica M. Gresser (Las Vegas)

Registered Interior Designers

125-ID Barbara J. Kinsey (Las Vegas)
126-ID Alicia Sauching Loo (Santa Monica, Calif.)



New architects at October meeting: Elias Abboud, Monica Gresser and Scott Brown.



New registered interior designers at October meeting: Bobbie Jo Kinsey and Alicia Loo.

NCIDQ Meeting

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by the Board of Directors. New members elected to the Board of Directors were: Sharon DelBianco (Fla.) and Debbie Steinmetz (La.).

The Council of Delegates voted on nine amendments to NCIDQ bylaws; all resolutions passed. Four resolutions were housekeeping in nature. Other resolutions included requiring the president-elect to be elected from the Council of Delegates, instead of appointed by the Board of Directors; requiring that four of seven certificate-holder directors shall have served as delegates or alternate delegates; reducing the term of service on the Board of Directors from six to four years; requiring the Nominating Committee to nominate and the Council of Delegates to elect, a new person to fill any vacancy in the Board of Directors; and changing the composition of the Nominating Committee.

NCIDQ staff announced that they are updating the technology system. Updates will be rolled out throughout 2007, starting with a new online system where exam candidates can apply online. It is expected that this feature will "go live" on January 24.

Next year's annual meeting will be held in Seattle, Wash.

Electronic Seal and Signature Information Available on Web Site

One document includes:


- **One pager outlining how registrants can now choose to sign/seal documents**
- **Two 'Focus' articles on the topic**
- **Relevant sections of NAC 623**

Available on the "News" page and under "Stamping Requirements" on each profession's page. Also available at this link: [nsbaidrd.state.nv.us/Documents/](http://nsbaidrd.state.nv.us/Documents/ElectronicSealInfo.pdf)

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Link Directly to Web Sites Cited in Focus

To link directly to a Web site listed in an article, move your cursor over the site address and click on it to go to the referenced page.

The cursor, which looks like a hand in Acrobat Reader, will change appearance to a pointing hand with a "W" when it moves over an active link. When you see  you'll know it is an active link.

Board Elects 2007 Officers

Klai, Garlock Reelected

The NSBAIDRD elected its officers for 2007 at the October 5, 2006 board meeting. The board reelected John R. Klai II as its chairman and George F. Garlock as its secretary/treasurer. Klai and Garlock are both architects.

John Klai, a Las Vegas resident, has served on the Nevada board since 1999. Klai has been a registered architect in the state of Nevada since 1983. He is also an NCIDQ certificate holder. His firm, Klai Juba Architects Ltd., sponsors the Klai Juba Lecture Series at UNLV, which attracts internationally known architects to speak at the school. Klai has served on many NCARB committees and currently serves on an ARE Graphics Subcommittee. Klai has been recognized for his philanthropic contributions to the community by being awarded the "Governor's Arts Award for Service to the Arts, Businesses and Patrons," and the "Great Friend to Kids Award" from the Lied Discovery Children's Museum. He was also recently inducted into the Nevada Entertainer/Artist Hall of Fame at UNLV.



Chairman John R. Klai II

George Garlock was originally appointed to the board in 1999. He currently serves as an advisor to the board's Enforcement Division. A resident of Henderson, Garlock has been registered in Nevada since 1980. He is a Founding Principal of KGA Architecture. Garlock is also an active supporter of architecture education in



Secretary/Treasurer George F. Garlock

Nevada; he is currently a member of the UNLV School of Architecture Council of Excellence. Previously, Garlock was a member of the UNLV School of Architecture Advisory Committee and has taught design at the school. He also served as the board's Intern Development Program (IDP) liaison.

Governor Reappoints Board Members

Governor Kenny Guinn reappointed three members to serve on the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design. The three reappointments are Larry A. Henry, an architect, JoAnn Oppenheimer Gore, the board's public member, and Derrell Parker, a registered interior designer. All appointments are for three-year terms and began October 30, 2006.

Larry Henry, a resident of Reno, has been a Nevada registered architect since 1983. He earned his Bachelor of Architecture in 1980 from the University of Idaho. He has received awards for projects such as the Carson City Events Pavilion (Carson City, Nev.), Center Street Bridge (Reno, Nev.) and the Caretaker Residence at Montreux (Reno). Henry has also served as an adjunct

interior design professor at the University of Nevada, Reno.

JoAnn Oppenheimer Gore, a real estate agent, has served as the board's public member since 2001. Originally from Kansas City, Mo., she has been a resident of Las Vegas since 1989. Oppenheimer Gore has been named a Top Producer for Century 21 Advantage Gold, and is a member of the Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors, Nevada Association of Realtors, and the National Association of Realtors. She is also active in a number of public and community organizations, including the Jewish Community Center Board of Directors and the Executive Board of the Clark County Republican Party.

Appointed to the board as one of its first registered interior designer members in 1995, Derrell Parker served as the board's chairman from 1999-2000. He is a partner in the Las Vegas design firm Parker Scaggiari, Inc. and received his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Interior Design from the University of Georgia. Parker was 2004 president of the National Council for Interior Design Qualification and a 2003-inductee into the International Interior Design Association's College of Fellows.

Other members of the nine-member board currently include: Greg L. Erny (architect), Judith H. Fermoile (registered interior designer), George F. Garlock (architect), John R. Klai II (architect), William E. Snyder (architect) and Larry D. Tindall (residential designer).

Calendar

January 10, 2007

NSBAIDRD Board Meeting
Las Vegas

February 9, 2007

Residential Design Written Exam
Las Vegas and Reno

March 7, 2007

NSBAIDRD Board Meeting
Las Vegas

March 22-24, 2007

WCARB Regional Meeting
Washington, DC

March 30-31, 2007

Spring 2007 NCIDQ Exam

March 31, 2007

Nevada Supplemental Exam for Registered
Interior Designers

2006 Board Office Holiday Closings

November 23-24 (Thanksgiving Holiday)

December 25 (Christmas Day)

January 1 (New Year's Day)


Moving?

New job?

Don't forget to send your change of
address or change of employment
to the board.

NAC 623.720

Each architect, residential designer or interior designer who holds a certificate of registration shall advise the board in writing of any change of address or place of employment within 30 days after the change.

Change of address forms are available on the Web site,  or simply include the following information in a letter or e-mail:

Full Name
Registration Number
Old Address, Phone and Fax Numbers
New Address, Phone and Fax Numbers
E-mail Address
Effective Date of Change



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